

The RHIC and AGS Users Executive Council Meeting

January 12th, 2001

Agenda

12:05 Welcome - JT

12:10 News

- **Washington APS Meeting end of April**
- **Computer security training module 'required'**
- **Guest tracking system & other issues from Users Center Admin.**

12:20 **Guest Speaker** - **Peter Paul**

- **Introductions**
- **New RHIC Sciences Building**
- **RHIC Planning**

12:45 Round Table Discussion - All

- **BNL Networks, Computers, and Stability**
- **Aggressive hiring policy for IT professionals**
- **Letter writing campaign**
- **UEC Bylaws**
- **Patent Rights for Guest Scientists**
- **Set date for Summer Users Meeting**
- **Additional items**

News

- **Washington APS Meeting**
 - Abstract deadline is today
 - The APS/DPF/DNP Congressional reception will be coordinated with this meeting – APS has got to get going !
 - Possible RHIC and AGS Users meeting – more from Toshio, later
- **New computer security training module**
 - Required for all users
- **Student Thesis Awards**
 - Marburger has resonated strongly with this idea
 - We need ideas on how to implement it
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- **New guest information system & other news from the Users Center**

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- **Late night transportation**

New from Agencies

- **Brad Keister @ NSF**
 - “... discuss ... possible relations between RHIC activities and the NSF Information Technology Research (ITR) initiative.”
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- **Steadman @ DOE**
 - A letter writing campaign to the director of the OMB
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- **Kovar @ DOE**
 - Staff positions open
 - **Program Manager for Theoretical Nuclear Physics**
 - **Senior Nuclear Physics Advisor**

Round Table Discussion Items

BNL Networks, Computers, and Stability

- Users see BNL computing and networks as an integrated unit
- Please encourage the system to work towards stability
- **Aggressive hiring policy for IT professionals**
 - Is the lab as aggressive about IT as about the accelerator?
- **Letter writing campaign and/or active handshaking**
 - Steadman recommends that we write to OMB director Jacob Lew
 - Marburger is thinking about contacting NYS
 - Sensenbrenner moves on – Sherwood Boehlert (R-NY) chair of Science Committee
- **Washington APS Meeting – Users Meeting one evening? Hawaii?**
- **UEC Bylaws update**
- **Patent Rights for Guest Scientists**
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UEC Membership

Bernd Bassalleck* - University of New Mexico

- Robert Chrien** - Brookhaven National Laboratory
- Steve Kettell*** - Brookhaven National Laboratory
- Jeff Mitchell** - Brookhaven National Laboratory
- Toshio Numao** - TRIUMPF – University of British
Columbia
- Marzia Rosati** - Iowa State University
- Richard Seto*** - University of California, Riverside
- Jim Thomas, Chair** - Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory
- Peter Yamin, Secretary** - Brookhaven National Laboratory